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Mary J. Schoelen
Judge

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

JAMES MARKSON,
Appellant,

V.

ROBERT A. MCDONALD,
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,
Appellee.

Vet.App. No. 15-2930

**APPELLEE’S MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
TO RESPOND TO APPELLANT’S BRIEF UNTIL JULY 11, 2016**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b), 27, and 45(g), Appellee, Robert A. McDonald, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for a forty-five day extension of time within which to respond to Appellant's Brief. If not for this motion, the Secretary's response would be due on May 26, 2016.

The request for more time is being made because of substantial workload and to obtain supervisory review. Therefore, in order to allow the undersigned counsel sufficient time to provide a thoughtful and thorough response to Appellant's brief in this case, he respectfully requests a forty-five day extension of time.

Appellant has been granted forty-five days of extension time. Appellee has not been granted any extension time thus far. On behalf of the Secretary, counsel expresses regret to the Court and Appellant for any inconvenience caused by the delay in filing the Secretary's response. However, in view of the aforesaid circumstances, an extension of forty-five days, until July 11, 2016, is requested.

Appellant is unopposed to this motion.

WHEREFORE, Appellee, Robert A. McDonald, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for an extension of time to file a response to Appellant's Brief, until July 11, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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